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The Honorable Assembly Member James Gallagher
California State Assembly
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RE: Housing, Assembly Bill 430

Dear Assembly Member Gallagher:

Prior to the Camp Fire disaster of November 8, 2018 (more than 5 months ago) California and Butte County suffered from scarce and expensive housing. A large contributing factor to the set of chronic housing related problems is California's burdensome, time consuming, uncertain and expensive regulatory processes related to the creation of housing.

The Camp Fire disaster then added insult to injury when it caused a massive loss of housing in Butte County. The cascading adverse impacts of the disaster cannot be captured by mere words.

Immediate improvements must be made to the regulatory processes related to the creation of housing to streamline those processes to make them more efficient in both time and cost, and to encourage rapid private investment in the creation of housing. AB 430 is one such incremental improvement that will assist in this effort. The City Council of the City of Biggs unanimously supports AB 430.

Sincerely,

Nathan E. Wilkinson
Mayor, City of Biggs